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DIRECTOR, FBI

SUBJECT: X COLMUNIST INDEX SEATTLE OFFICE

DATE:

July 7, 1949

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In accordance with Bureau instructions this office has set up a Communist index. The instructions available in this office concerning the Communist index are very meager, and a number of questions have arisen concerning the manner in which this index should be maintained.

It is not known whether the Bureau intended that this index should be a complete index of Communist Party members, both past and present, or whether it is to be an index only of known and current Party members. There is considerable information available in this Division, for example, that persons were members of the Communist Party in 1943 and 1944, but their connection with the Party since that time is unknown. Should these individuals be included in the Communist index?

The Communist index was set up in this office incident to a file review made in connection with Bureau instructions. At that time all individuals who had been members of the Party in this Division were indexed and included in this file. It is not known at this time whether all of these individuals are presently in the Seattle Division. Is it the Bureau's desire that there should now be a review of the Communist index to exclude individuals who have left this Division, or should this weeding out process be merely an incident to other investigations con-It is true that the Communist index in this Division has far more names in it than the known Communist Party membership in this Division. The Bureau is requested to advise what its wishes are in this connection.

There likewise are no instructions in this office as to the form of this index and what information should be included on the index cards. If there has been some policy and procedure already decided upon by the Bureau relative to this index it would be appreciated if the Seattle Division could be so advised.

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Reurlet dated July 14, 1949, requesting permission to interview subject in accordance with SAC Letter No. 55, Series 1949.

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Instructions with regard to requesting permission from the Bureau to interview a subject of a security investigation have been amended by Bureau Bulletin No. 37. Series 1949, dated July 22. 1949, which lists certain information that must be set forth in the letter requesting authority. You should reconsider your request for permission to interview this subject after reviewing the facts of this case in line with the amended instructions and if you still believe that the interview should be conducted you are requested to submit a letter setting forth the necessary facts. This letter should bear the caption of the individual case file and not the general title of the Communist Farty, 12th District.

It should again be pointed out that the Bureau does not desire mass interviews of security matter subjects and you should thoroughly evaluate each case before authority to interview is requested.

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TO

Director, FBI

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SUBJECT:

COMMUNIST PARTY, STATE OF WASHINGTON

(INTERVIEW WITH SUBJECTS OF SECURITY INVESTIGATIONS)

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Reference is made to SAC Letter #55, Series 1949, dated 5/17/49 wherein it is stated that authority should be requested from the Bureau in connection with the interview of any subjects of Security Investigations.

Bureau authority to interview GEORGE ALLEM PRICE, was., SECURITY MATTER - C, is requested at this time.

The last report concerning PRICE was the report of SA F. H. SCHMIDT dated 9/15/41 at Seattle. Since that time the Seattle Office has developed the following information:

On 4/23/46, SE 323 furnished SA GEORGE H. ASDELL with two sheets of paper obtained from CP Headquarters, Seattle. The list was believed to contain the members of the Trade Union Committee of the Waterfront Section, CP. Among the names noted on this list was JACK PRICE, longshoreman.

On 10/4/46 a highly confidential source made available to SA THOMAS M. KERNDT, a number of registration and transfer cards maintained by RALPH HALL at CP Headquarters, Seattle. One of the cards bore the following notation: "JACK PRICE, 35th Section, 3rd Avenue Club".

There has been no information developed concerning any CP activities on the part of GEORGE ALLEN PRICE, was G. E. PRICE, JACK PRICE since 10/4/46. Inasmuch as the informant coverage in Seattle is considerable, it is believed that PRICE has been inactive in CP affairs since 1946.

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Please be advised that the Bureau has had to study the whole Communist index program and it is contemplated that new instructions involving this index will be furnished to the field in the near future. Consequently, it is requested that you hold your questions in abeyance and attempt to resolve them on the basis of the new instructions when they are received.

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DIRECTOR, FBI

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SUBJECT:

COMMUNIST INDEX SEATTLE OFFICE

INTERNAL SECURITY - C

Re Seattle letter dated July 7, last, requesting instructions from the Bureau concerning the above captioned matter.

To date this office has received no reply from the Bureau. It is requested that the Bureau advise as early as possible, as this office is anxious to maintain the Communist index in accordance with the Bureau wishes. At the present time we are at a loss to know how the Bureau wants this index maintained.

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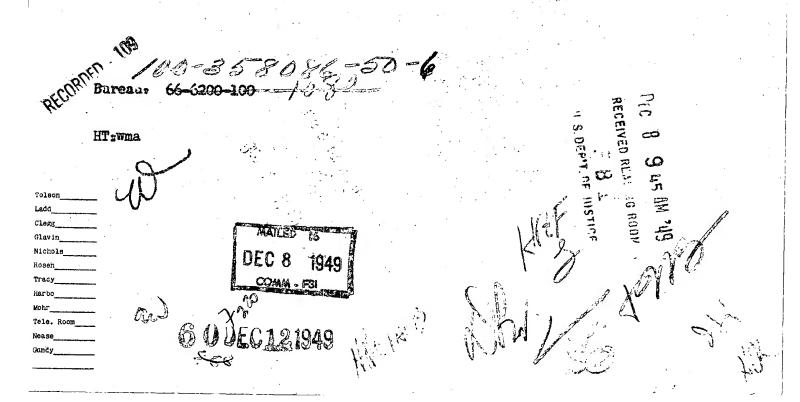
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REURLET dated November 21, 1949.

It is noted that you indicate that a separate index is maintained by the Seattle Office pertaining to organizations having a Communist influence which index is used as an administrative aid in the Seattle Office.

Eureau regulations do not call for the maintenance of such an index and the Bureau does not desire that any special index be set up which will supplant in any manner the general index of your office. Accordingly, the special index on organizations should not be maintained by the Seattle Office.

Referenced letter slso indicates that the Scattle Office is presently maintaining the Communist Index on 5 x 8 cards. The Bureau has no objection to this even though the preferred size is 3 x 5. In view of the fact that the index was set up by your office on 5 x 8 cards, the Bureau does not desire that you make any effort to change the size of the cards or spend any clerical or agent time in the transfer of these cards to a smaller size.



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DIRECTOR, FBI

SAC, SEATTLE

SOMMUNIST INDEX INTERNAL SECURITY - DATE:

November 21, 1949

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Reference is made to SAC Letter #97, Series 1949, dated October 19, 1949, to the section entitled "Communist Index".

In order that the Bureau may be fully apprised of the condition of this index in the Seattle Division, the following information is submitted:

For a number of years the Seattle Office has maintained, for the use of the Security Squad, a main file index on 3x5 cards in the office of the Security Supervisor. This has been an index of all main files, both individuals and organizations, which deal with Security matters in the Seattle Division. It has been used by a clerical employee primarily for indexing in connection with the channelizing of memoranda on Security matters. In view of the instructions contained in SAC Letter #97 on the Communist index, the above-mentioned main file index will no longer be necessary in its entirety in this office. Insofar as it pertains to individuals it is a duplication of the Communist index. Accordingly, instructions have been issued in this office to consolidate this index into the Communist index, thereby leaving only one index on the Security matters pertaining to individuals. The consolidation of these two indices will take approximately two or three weeks yet to complete. The index cards previously maintained in the main file indices which pertained to organizations have been withdrawn and setaside into a separate index now comprising a main file index on organizations exclusively. This index will be used as it has heretofore in assisting a clerical employee in the channelizing of Security memoranda which pertain to organizations. In the future the Communist Index will be used in the same manner in assisting the clerical employee in channelizing Security memoranda which pertain to individuals.

At the time that the Communist Index was originally prepared in this office, it was set up on the 5x8 cards containing, wherever possible, the information set out in SAC Letter #97. There are presently over three-thousand of these cards in the index. It is not believed advisable to retype these cards onto a 3x5 size card for the sake of uniformity. Unless the Bureau instructs otherwise, the Communist index in the Seattle Division will continue to be maintained on the 5x8 size cards. No other changes, either in the index or in the procedure for handling memoranda being channelized into files, is contemplated at this time.

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TO

Director, FBI (100-358086)(REG.) DATE: December 26, 1956



SAC, Seattle (100-23703)

SUBJECT:

COMMUNIST INDEX

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Re SAC Letter No. 56-56 (L) dated October 30, 1956, and Bulet to Albany dated November 23, 1956, both relating to the reconstruction and maintenance of the Communist Index.

The Seattle Office has commenced the maintenance of the revised Communist Index. Contained therein are the cancelled cards of subjects removed from the Security Index by application of the revised Security Index criteria since April 1955.

The "100" files opened in the Seattle Office since January 1, 1955, are being reviewed for the purpose of identifying other appropriate Communist Index subjects among those individuals who were found not appropriate for inclusion in the Security Index but who may meet the current Communist Index criteria.

Individuals hereafter removed from the Seattle Security Index will be considered for addition to the Communist Index consistent with the current Communist Index criteria.

The Bureau will be advised of the completion of this project by the Seattle Office.

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A Director, FBI (100-358086)

COMMUNIST INDEX

Re SAC Letter 56-56 (L) dated October 30, 1956, containing instructions with regard to the reconstruction of the Communist Index.

In the past, field office files have been stamped "CI" on the front cover to designate those subjects of main case files on whom Communist Index cards existed. In order that file covers can definitely reflect those cases in which a Communist Index card is prepared under existing instructions set out in referenced SAC Letter, you should arrange to have the main case files stamped with the letters "RCI."

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-358086) - REG. DATE: 3-8-57

SAC, SEATTLE (100-23703)

SUBJECT:

COMMUNIST INDEX

Re SAC Letter No. 56-56 (L) dated 10/30/56 and Seattle letter to Bureau 12/26/56.

Bureau's instructions relative to preparation of a Revised Communist Index have been fully carried out by the Seattle Office.

At this time there are about 350 individuals listed in the Revised Communist Index of the Seattle Office. Additions will be made in the future from the following:

- 1. Individuals currently investigated who are not recommended for inclusion in Security Index, but who come within the criteria for RCI inclusion.
- 2. Individuals removed from Security Index by application of SI criteria.
- 3. Subjects of other files (not included in categories previously reviewed pursuant to Bureau instructions) which are reviewed on the Security Supervisor's desk or by security agents, when those subjects come within the RCI criteria.

Other cards previously maintained as the Communist Index are being destroyed.

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TO

DIRECTOR, FBI (100-358086)

1/13/59 DATE:

SAC, SEATTLE (100-23703)

SUBJECT:

SECURITY INVESTIGATIONS OF INDIVIDUALS

COMMUNIST INDEX

INTERNAL SECURITY - C

Rebulet to Albany, 10/2/58.

The following statistics pertain to the investigations by the Seattle Office relative to the above-captioned program as requested by the Bureau in relet:

1.	NUMBER ON CI AT BEGINNING OF PROGRAM:	427
2.	NULBER ON CI TO DATE:	41 8
3.	NUMBER REMOVED FROM CI DURING PERIOD:	18
4.	NUMBER OF INFORMANTS OR PSI'S DEVELOPED:	None
5.	NUMBER PLACED ON SI AS RESULT OF PROGRAM:	None
6.	NUMBER OF ESPIONAGE CASES OPENED:	None
7.	NUMBER FOUND TO BE EMPLOYED AT KEY FACILITIES OR BY CLASSIFIED CONTRACTORS:	None
8.	NUMBER WHERE PROGRAM REVEALED SUBJECT WITH	

DELICATE OR SENSITIVE EMPLOYMENT OR RELATIONSHIP REQUIRING ADDITIONAL DISSEMINATION:

None

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TO

Director, FBI (100-358086)(AM-REGDATE: April 14, 1959

SAC, Seattle (100-23703)

SUBJECT:

SECURITY INVESTIGATIONS OF INDIVIDUALS COMMUNIST INDEX INTERNAL SECURITY - C

Rebulet to Albany October 2, 1958, and mylet January 13, 1959.

The following statistics pertain to the investigations by the Seattle Office relative to the above-captioned program as requested by the Bureau in relet:

1.	Number on CI at beginning of program	427	
2.	Number on CI to date	354	
3.	Number removed from CI during period	66	
4.	Number of informants or PSI's developed	0	$\longrightarrow \bigvee$
5.	Number placed on SI as a result of program	1	1
6.	Number of espionage cases opened	0	1-1-
7.	Number found to be employed at key facilities or by classified contractors	0	
8.	Number where program revealed subject with delicate or sensitive employment or relation-ship requiring additional dissemination	0	39

For information of the Bureau, the Seattle Office has added eleven individuals to RCI since beginning of program which affects category number 2 above. Also, since the beginning of the RCI program, the Seattle Office has opened and assigned 255 RCI cases to date in carrying out Bureau instructions in this program.

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Director, FBI (100-358086)(AM)(REG) July 14, 1959

SAC, Seattle (100-23703)

SUBJECT:

SECURITY INVESTIGATIONS OF INDIVIDUALS COMMUNIST INDEX INTERNAL SECURITY - C

ReBulet to Albany October 2, 1958, and mylet April 14, 1959.

The following statistics pertain to the investigations by the Seattle Office relative to the above-captioned program as requested by the Bureau in relet:

- 1. Number on CI at beginning of program----- 427 2. Number on CI to date---- 284 3. Number removed from CI during this period----- 80 4. Number of informants or PSI's developed-----5. Number placed on SI as result of the program-----6. Number of espionage cases opened-----
- Number found to be employed at key facilities 7. or by classified contractors-----
- 8. Number where program revealed subject with delicate or sensitive employment or relationship requiring additional dissemination------

For information of the Bureau, the Seattle Office has added 21 individuals to the RCI since the beginning of the program which affects category 2 above. By July 31, 1959, all remaining RCI cases will be opened and assigned for investigation under this program so that the Seattle Office will complete this program on or before the deadline date of October 15, 1959.

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Director, FBI (100-358086)(AM)(REG) ATE: October 14, 1959

SAC, Seattle (100-23703)

SUBJECT:

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The following statistics pertain to the investigations by the Seattle Office relative to the above-captioned program, as requested by the Bureau in relet:

Number on CI at beginning of program-----427 1. Number on CI to date-----204 2. Number removed from CI during this period----- 87 3. 4. Number of informants or PSI's developed----- O Number placed on SI as a result of program----- 6 5. Number of espionage cases opened----- 0 6. Number found to be employed at key facilities or 7. by classified contractors-----8. Number where program revealed subject with delicate or sensitive employment or relationship requiring additional dissemination---- 0

The Seattle Office has completed the RCI Program with the exception of the following cases:

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RICHARD WILLIAM DEAN (SEfile 100-21338)

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Lead outstanding through liaison channels to verify residence in 338011-11. Canada

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ANNETTE H. WALLACE (SE file 100-23555)

LYLE LAWRENCE WALLACE (SE file 100-20093)

(SE file 100-13870)

Lead outstanding at Boston Office for background information, necessary prior to interview.

Lead outstanding at Boston Office for background information, necessary prior to interview.

Subject has agreed to interview on 10/15/59 and this is necessary prior to completion of investigation.

The Seattle Office anticipates that the above four cases will be completely investigated in the near future, thus completing the RCI program.

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		ReBulet to Albany 10/2/58 and mylet 10/14/59.
		The following statistics pertain to the investigations the Seattle Office relative to the above-captioned program, requested by the Bureau in relet:
	1.	Number on CI at beginning of program 427
	2.	Number on CI to date (8 added since referenced Seattle letter) 211
	3.	Number removed from CI during this period 88
	4.	Number of informants or PSI's developed 0
	5.	Number placed on SI as a result of program 6
	6.	Number of espionage cases opened 0
	7.	Number found to be employed at key facilities or by classified contractors 0
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	pro	The Seattle Office has now completed the RCI review gram.
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